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Serial No.: 09/648,523

Filed: August 26, 2000

Title: THICKNESS EXTENSIONAL

VIBRATION MODE PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR, LADDER-TYPE FILTER, AND PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

$^{ m J}$ IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace claims 1, 5, 7 with the following claims: